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Senator Jeff Klein Announces Grammy Award-Winning Group Blood Sweat & Tears to Headline Riverfest

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RiverFest 2015 to Feature Beloved American Music Group, Local Artists, Scenic Boat Rides, Children's Entertainment, Waterfront Activities & More

Klein, Bronx Elected Officials, KRVC and College of Mount Saint Vincent Come Together to Celebrate the Beauty of the Hudson River and Unity of the Riverdale Community

RIVERDALE, NY - State Senator Jeff Klein (D-Bronx/Westchester), together with Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz (D-Bronx), Councilman Andrew Cohen (D-Bronx), Executive Director of the

Kingsbridge-Riverdale-Van Cortlandt Development Corporation (KRVC) Tracey McCabe Shelton, KRVC Greenway Director Cliff Stanton, and representatives from the College of Mount Saint Vincent, today announced celebrated American music group Blood Sweat & Tears will headline RiverFest. The announcement came at the 2015 kickoff event on Riverdale Avenue featuring music, family fun and a sneak preview of this year's coming attractions.

"Riverdale's annual celebration of the beauty of the Hudson River and unity of the local community is back and better than ever this year. I'm proud to announce that I will be co-sponsoring RiverFest 2015 and was able to secure Grammy award-winning group Blood Sweat & Tears to headline this special event," **said Senator Klein.** "I applaud KRVC for their efforts in putting together this exciting summer concert, and I look forward to celebrating with everyone in just two short weeks. Hope to see you there!"

Multi-platinum music group Blood Sweat & Tears is best known for its chart topping hits like "Spinning Wheel," "You've Made Me So Very Happy" and "Hi-De-Ho." In 1968, Blood Sweat & Tears released its first self-titled album which went on to sell more than four million copies and was later awarded album of the year. The band has since performed sold out shows across the U.S. and abroad, and is widely regarded as one of the most beloved music groups of all time.

"RiverFest has become an annual tradition in Riverdale, filled with great music, food and fun for the whole family. The campus of Mt. St. Vincent is always an idyllic venue, and with Blood Sweat & Tears headlining this year's RiverFest, I'm sure it's going to be a rockin' good time," **said Congressman Eliot Engel.**

"I am thrilled about the addition of the very talented Blood Sweat & Tears to RiverFest 2015! RiverFest gets better and better every year, and I always look forward to it," **said**

Assemblyman Jeffrey Dinowitz. “There is no better way to spend a beautiful summer day than having fun together with your community while listening to great live music. June 14th can’t come soon enough!”

"RiverFest 2015 is going to be the event of the summer! It is set to be even more exciting with Blood Sweat & Tears providing the entertainment. Thank you, Senator Klein, for bringing this much anticipated family event to Riverdale," **said Council Member Andrew Cohen.**

RiverFest 2015 will feature local musicians and entertainers like Rob Taube, Steve Oates, Rob Schiffmann and more. Families and children will have the chance to enjoy scenic boat rides, sample some delicious food, learn more about Riverdale’s waterfront community and take in a variety of fun-filled games and activities.

"Senator Klein has once again demonstrated that he fundamentally understands what makes a community vibrant and strong. Through his consistent support for KRVC and by bringing Blood Sweat & Tears to RiverFest, the Senator has moved the vision of a Hudson River Greenway in the Bronx closer to a reality. We applaud Senator Klein's leadership on this issue and commitment to support his work and the work of other community leaders in the days and years to come," **said Cliff Stanton, Greenway Director, KRVC.**

"We are thrilled to have this fabulous addition to our RiverFest. It will truly enhance an already special community event. Bringing more people out to our festival with this great concert will allow us to reach more people with our message of how spectacular an all-riverfront Greenway will be for our community. We are very grateful to Senator Klein for making this all possible. We look forward to supporting and working with the Senator and our community leaders through all the steps we need to take to make the Hudson River Greenway a reality for the Bronx," **said Tracy McCabe Shelton, Executive Director, KRVC.**

RiverFest 2015 will be held at the College of Mt. St. Vincent on Sunday, June 14th from noon to 6:00 p.m.